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Applicant: Martin et al.
Assignee: Maxtor Corporation
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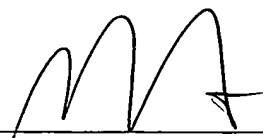
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Maxtor Corporation, as assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified application, hereby appoints the following attorney to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith.

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Maxtor Corporation is the assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified application by virtue of (1) a Patent Assignment from the inventors of the above-identified application to Quantum Corporation, and (2) a Patent Assignment Agreement from Quantum Corporation to Maxtor Corporation.

The Patent Assignment from the inventors to Quantum Corporation is recorded at reel 011657, frame 0282, and the Patent Assignment Agreement from Quantum Corporation to Maxtor Corporation is recorded at reel 012653, frame 0726.

The assignee seeks to take action in the Patent and Trademark Office in this matter. The undersigned is empowered to sign this Statement on behalf of the assignee.

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